

THE BABY RUTH TREE, GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harmon were everywhere Present and indefatigable in their efforts at expediting and equalifzing the distribution



A WHOLE PAMILY MAD'T GLAD. All these ladies and gentlemen desire to re-

cilities extended by him and his staff of To Manager Meyser, as well us the ladies and genilemen mentioned, THE EVENING World also extends its hearty thanks of behalf of its now happy contributors and beneficiaries.

hwas 0.30 when the distribution of gifts began and 12.30 when it ended.

Not a child departed empty handed, and sore than one shivering, blus-nozed and redfated little unfortunate went away warm in ler mittens, caps, stockings and mumers.

AT CLARENDON HALL.

Searly Live Thousand Children Provided with Toys and Candy.

Four thousand five hundred is a very conervative estimate of the number of children sho for the time being were made to lorget etr hardships and poverty this morning at ndon Hall, in Thirteenth street, between

ad every one of them was presented by ittle boy or girl, who in many instances ought along a younger stater or brother or

and Fourth avenues. Four thousand tickers had been distributed

Opera-House Hall. It was a big and merry crowd of youngsters

scene did it present! In all the multitude there was not one who was well dressed, or even sufficiently clothed

and fro in the street, making the best of their time un il the doors were thrown open. So great was the crush that it became necessary to open the doors some time be-

fore 9.30, the appointed hour. It Was a Great Crowd. site side of the street the little ones were

penetrated to the hall, and the corps of distributors knew what it meant.

The first to appear was a little boy of ten. World had made as if by magic.

Tables were arranged in a hollow square, a prodigious chattering when the children piled high with pretty things. In the centre first caught sight of it, and they opened was a tall, beautiful, third-growth Norway their eyes still wider when they discovered

Their Happiness Complete. The children were guided around the square At 9 o'clock there were several thousand girls were inade supremely happy at The until reaching the place of egress, their arms children in and around the place, and then Evening World's Christmas Tree in Nibio's were full of things from the several tables.

are thanks to Manager Meyser, of the Cen-better than any words that they could com-tal Turn Verein, for his courtesy and the mand betokened the joy they felt, the first of the thousands passed out and away to their squalid homes.

dreds of lowly homes which had not known the pleasures of Christmas. Miss Emma Kauffman conducted the affair admirably. Many of the older children had

for THE EVENING WORLD'S Christmas-Tree night and seemed to recognize her face. She was assisted by Mrs. Gertrude Ather-

Cleveland and Stevenson.

Mr. A. Rosenturg, Louis S. Adams and several other gentlemen did door and inside

mendably. HAPPY HARL! M YOUNGSTERS.

Many Thousand Gifts Distributed in the

to protect the little body from the penetrating hips of Jack Frost. But there was happiness and jollity even noses and cheeks and bright, sparkling eyes, a violin solo, which was followed by a banjo in that aggregation of poverty that surged to impatiently waiting to get a glimpse of the trie, in which Prof. C. B. Ripley, Miss Stella

From the doors to the curbing on the oppopacked. When the doors were opened a great cheer

Up the steps the little fect of the first contingent came hurrying, and the distributors hastened, at the signal, to their respective

He stood in the doorway, spelibound at the spectacle the good genil of THE EVENING

spruce, laden with Christmas fruit.

The children were guided around the square Then with books mutely elequent, that

And so it continued until the last one was served, and tokens of joy were sent into hun-

heard or read of the pretty lady who acted Fund at the Berkeley Lyceum last Tuesday

she was assisted by Mrs. Gertrude Athers grove and sheehan, were on hand to see that At last, at 8.20 of ton, the authoress, of 68 West Fitty-seventh the line was kept moving, but their work was 100 was admitted. street, and Miss Kunne Beveridge, the pretty young sculptress who moulded the busts of

patrol duty and acquitted themselves com-

in their arms, waiting in line to be admitted. their especial benefit.

the children, fortunately, were not kept out very long, and when the big doors were finally appreciative audience with a solo upon the Keller and B. C. Childs. thrown open they went in with a rush. All the seats in the hall were taken in a hurry and late comers had to squeeze in to find

Everything was in readiness, the tree having been prepared and all the presents laid out on long tables the night before, so that bution would go on as soon as the little ones

the monstrous heaps of toys in every possible Crowds of Downtown Youngsters Get variety ranged on the long tubles which stietched back of the p.attorm.

the distribution of the gifts becan. The little Garden. ones were formed in single file, and they | Long before the doors of the theatre were passed all my in front of the platform, each thrown open the street in front was jammed one receiving an armful of good things from with a jubtering, piping, laughing, trollesome the unlimited supply which THE EVENING mass of diminutive humanity. Wonin had provided.

seen there before, and as the culldren passed completed at 3 o'clock this morning, after ahead of those who stood before them to the out to the street loaded down with their pres- many hours of labor. out to the street loaded down with their pres-ents, their faces fairly beamed with happi- And when Daniel R. Kennedy and his staff almost to desperation endeavoring to stem

station, with Patrolmen Sullivan, Wade, Cos- anticipatory delight.

Assistants to Santa Claus.

The preparation of the tree and the distri- gleeted children ! W. Most, Miss Belle and Emmin Harmon, baddles, strong belle and Emmin Harmon, baddles,

and whole families of little tots, with red Alexander Legali. Then Mr. Shaisha piayed wonderful Christmas tree, with its handsome Hammerstein and Miss Luiu Bischoff took trimmings and trappings, which had been part, assisted by Miss McNish, plantst, and Freez; Mrs. M. B. Gleason, Miss Abbie Nich- pose better with the newly acquired puppers ciamations of delight were heard on all sides. beautiful toys, books and dolls sent by "Baby prepared by careful and loving hands for was received with such enthusiastic appliause that the performers were compelled to give | R. B. Post, of Hoboken; Theodore Benedix, change for a jackknile. It was bitterly cold out in the street, but an encore.

Miss Rosie Hammerstein then favored the

violin, Prof. Dunzen sang a humorous song, followed by a song from Mrs. E. Fridinberg. and the concert was brought to a close with a medley of popular airs by the orchestra. The whole entertainment was a great success, and the little folks of Harlem will have

reason to long remember THE EVENISO World's Christmas celebration. CHILDREN HOLDING TICKETS FOR bad assembled.

Upthus asm at Night of the Tree.

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SANTA CLAUS AT NURLOSS.

Toys, Mitts and Candles. Several thousand anxious little boys and

Within the theatre, in the foyer, prepara-Such lauguing and chattering were never tions for the grand distributions had been youngsters who tried to force their way in

of voluntary assistants, after only a few the tide

Everything was done in an orderly and hours of steep, placed themselves in readiness. And as many more declared that well-behaved manner and there was no disbessed the boxes, barrels, chests and stacks it was the biggest contract of turbance of any kind. Roundsman Cosgrove, of toys and other glits the crowd on the their lives to keep that dids when once it of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street street had grown almost uncontrollable with had entered from running rist in the loyer

the children's eyes from this leafy pyramid of toys, langed in line along a counter and this morning. The doors were opened shortly the children's eyes from this leafy pyramid of toys, langed in line along a counter and this morning. The doors were opened shortly the children's eyes from this leafy pyramid of toys, langed in line along a counter and the little guests began to those most in need or such articles.

What a crowd it was, and what a novel after 5 o'clock, but the si lewsiks in front of a curred. There was Freddy Resemberg, of 172 flock into the warm uniting. They enberg, Mrs. N. Vedder, Mrs. Eva Kos- boughs, Objects more attractive diverted arcs.

olson, Dr. F. K. Ruff, Cammack D. Reif, Rev. William A. Snyder, E. White, Charles Snyder,



COING HOME HAPPY.

The taking of tickets was no triding task, considering the aturdiness of some of the of youthful

it was the biggest contract of their lives to keep that dide when once it had entered from running riot in the loyer.

The exit was on Crosby street. And it was a 3.600 Little Ones Cheered in the Clerpissure that would have warmed the mant Avenue Kink.

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The peaking of 3.000 little ones and double. At last, at 8.00 o'clock, the first batch of piessure that would have warmed the What a vision of grandour presented itself these thousands of children who had entered ters of Brooklyn's poor were filled with Laura Roake, Edwin Knowles and J. H. Moto the gage of these half-clothed, unfed, nethe big theatre from Broadways empty - thristmas cheer this morning.

glected children! Christmas cheer this morning.

handed and ill-clothed, emerge on the Long terore's o'clock the tot-began gather-

the theatre were thronged long before that hour. from the platform, which added greatly to hour, and other useful articles in their lessex street, carting off a farm, with its state and positions where they could see and hear and the Circle of Ready Hands, and in their left the myriad bie, barn, cows and all other appurtenances up positions where they could see and hear There were many mothers with little ones by an overture from the Harlem Opera-House tempting gome of toydoin with which childish thereunto belonging, for a big speaking doll every thing that was to follow. In their arms, waiting in line to be admitted, or cheerty and carben the direction of Leader hearts are tickled, stood the distributors. The big Christmas tree, which

> which Johnny McCarthy gave her in ex-One of the most ludicrous and at the same were piled upon the immense tables.
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> Ind the kitchen set, books and blocks seat in the lumine pathetic incidents occurred while the Three big tables grounded under their weight by some charitable boy or girl who falles to Frederick Kind, Spencer D. Jackson, Frank J. time pathetic incidents occurred while the crush was most riotous at Nibio's Garden. of huge stacks of toys. There were big dolls Mary Sliberstein, of 212 Rivington street, and little dolls, sailor boys, jumping jacks, had brought her six months' old baby in her Noah's Arks, whistles, horns, building blocks, arms and was leading her five-year-old son a tig variety of squeaking animals, kaleido-

After a frightful struggle the little family tion.

Two other tables on the opposite side of the live other tables on table other tables on t the mother sank into a chair to rest and filled with candy. staunch the tears of her Morris.

" What are you crying about ?" THE EVEN-INO WORLD reporter asked the little lad. "Oh," was Morris's reply, " they gave my "to the surprise of every one Mr. Alexander | March - " To the Field of flower," | Sinford's Or hestra little baby such a squeeze:"

Comstock, the manager of Niblo's, ordered Whietling Solo- 'Summerless' the doors closed at 10 o'clock—one hour and and a haif before the time which he had Selection— Plantation Economy. agreed upon with the manager of the fund and which was printed on the tickets.

Solo—"Jamie" Mrs. Jennie Hall Wade Whiteing Solo—"The Leonor" Mary tre lobby were by his order hustled out with agreed upon with the manager of the fund and which was printed on the tickets. tre lobby were by his order bustled out witu-

out any gifts, and more than a thousand others were turned away from the doors. broken through their hopes of candy and tops was accomplished under the direction of Mrs. the une of the rink, free of all expense, since being unfulfilled, and their disappointment was really sail. Their unhappiness need only last until tomorrow, because their presents have been

mas Fund beadquarters at 96 Fifth avenue. where they can get them by presenting their tickets between the bours of 10 aud 12 in the morning.

cockies even of a misauthropic heart to see The hearts of 3,000 little sons and daugh- Mr. and Mrs. Refert F. Williams, Miss

These were Mrs. Anita Kearney, Mrs. ried away. And there was Bertha McGinnis, middle of the hall, immediately in front of the their heads in happy surprise atherine Crummy, Mrs. Dr. Jennings, of blubbering like a baby because the house- platform, and which was so tastefully dec-93 Clinton place, editor of Health and His- hold utensits she had traded for a ministure orated by several gentlemen of the Lincoln Robertson, of 164 Gates avenue, went where manty; Mrs. Eva Best, of the Detroit Free sewing-machine would have served her pur- Club, caught the joingsters eyes, and ex- they will do a world of good, as alld also the But the tree was a mere thing of beauty. Lester," toys forwarded by Addie siot, the The good things that were to be given out mounted paper figures by White Landgraff.

scopes and other toys too numerous to men-

managed to get into the open corridor be-tween the outer hall and the foyer, and here tree were loaded down with pretty boxes An Excellent Entertainment

Through the kindness of several local celebrities, an excellent entertalnment was furnished. The programme arranged by Composer Charles H. Marcy was as follows:

Miss Panny Mead,

Chorus—"Mr Country, 'Tis of Thee". The Children
At the conclusion of the entertainment the sittig, who was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. last Toursday. Eugene Mapes, Mrs. Edwin Knowles, Mrs. E. A word of praiss is also due to the Messra. B. Poster, Mrs. Edwin Beckwith, Mrs. Eleanor Steck Bros., plano-makers, who loaned one of kirke Ames, Miss Rose, Miss Car. Libeir finest planos; to Anderson, the caterer. removed to THE EVENING WORLD'S Christ- mencits Beckwarb, Mrs. Dr. Stevens, Mr. P.

Landfear, Miss Wintred Stepp, Messes Cyster-house man, for 150 tried cysters. howell Fester, F. Williamson, E. Morse,

Clement. Ols ributing the Presents button of the presents were in charge of Mrs. A guittering Christman tree, rising almost crosby atreet side with warm coats ing on Clermont avenue, must do the the rink. The bys an ight's formed in separate lines J. G. Miller and a party of fifteen young to the colling, twenty feet above the floor, on their backs, hew caps on their where Tan Eyestson Woman's Christman-tree and walked down past the tables, where the button of the presents were in charge of Mrs.

A guiltering Christman tree, rising almos

Crosby attretts with the presents were in charge of Mrs.

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Crosby attrett size with white the land with post the calling, twenty for the celling, twenty feet above the floor, on their backs, new caps on their backs, new caps on their backs, and decked out with gold and silver globes heads, and their arms and postible where the party was held.

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every thing that was to follow. Chapel, found their way into the arms of poor.

The big Christmas tree, which stood in the little tots whose eyes almost jumped out of

give his or her name.

More Than Enough for All. The distribution began at 10 o'clock and was not concluded until long after noon.

After all the youngsters had been provide the toys that still remained were distribute among these who had sat down in the build-

ing to enjoy the scene. What a change was noticeable in the faces of the boys and girls between the time they entered the Clermont avenue doors and passed out into the cold air to Vanderhits avenue!

Thanks are due to all the many contributers to The Evening World's Christmas-Tree Fund for their generosity, to those who tack part in the entertainment, and to Mrs. Sitty. who has worked so hard to make to-day's Christmas Tree successful. The memb rs of the Committee also de-

serve commendation for their efficient aid. and Mr. Norman L. Muaro, the well-known publisher, of Vandewater street, for bis thoughtfulness and generosity in furnishing

for 500 Christmas cakes; Wilson, the caterer, and the Horton Ice-Cream Compa H. Jackson and Miss Mand Fanning.
At the candy table were: Miss T. Belle for fifty Charlotte russe, and Misbe, the

CHILDREN HOLDING TICKETS POR

IN JERSEY CITY.

Fully 3,000 Children Made Enthusiasticulty Happy.

street. The building is now the her of the Overseer of the Poor, John E. Bewitt, who was the master of ceremonies to-day. The hour fixed for the distribution of